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 $\beta\text{-FRUCTOFURANOSIDASE}$  AND ITS GENE, METHOD OF ISOLATING  $\beta\text{-FRUCTOFURANOSIDASE}$  GENE, SYSTEM FOR PRODUCING  $\beta\text{-FRUCTOFURANOSIDASE},$  AND  $\beta\text{-FRUCTOFURANOSIDASE}$  VARIANT

## **AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action dated April 8, 2003, the time for responding thereto being extended for two months in accordance with a petition for extension submitted concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows: